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NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITYTHE DIRECTION, COORDINATION AND SUPERVISION OF THE OPERATIONS WHICH
PRODUCE INTELLIGENCE RELATED TO THE NATIONAL SECURITY

Memorandum by the Director of Central Intelligence, with the Unanimous
Concurrence of the Intelligence Advisory Board.

1. The President's letter of 22 January 1946 designated the National Intelligence Authority as responsible for planning, developing, and coordinating all federal foreign intelligence activities so as to assure the most effective accomplishment of the intelligence mission related to the national security and made the Director of Central Intelligence responsible for recommending to it the establishment of the necessary overall policies and objectives to accomplish the above.

2. Pursuant to the above, it is essential that a broad program be initiated which will govern the direction, coordination and supervision of the operations which produce intelligence relating to the national security. The initial requirement in such a program should be definition of the mission; there must be a clearly defined goal toward which the entire federal foreign intelligence producing effort relating to the national security is directed. The N.I.A. is responsible for defining this mission and providing the means for its execution.

3. Enclosed is a draft of an N.I.A. Directive making the necessary provision for the above. It has been unanimously concurred in by the Director of Central Intelligence and the Intelligence Advisory Board.

4. It is recommended that the National Intelligence Authority approve the draft directive enclosed herewith.

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